

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	James G. Skakoon et al.	Examiner:	William Jung
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Title	MEDICAL DEVICE INTRODUCER		

PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

MS AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action mailed February 27, 2006, said period of response being extended from May 27, 2006 to August 28, 2006.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in the amount of \$1020.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully Submitted

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